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UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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Attorney Docket No.

First Inventor

VINOD KUMAR SONI

Title

RECYCLING OF USED AUTOMOBILE
TIRES IN TO SHOE SOLES

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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages **8**]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- ✓ Descriptive title of the invention
 - ✓ Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - ✓ Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - ✓ Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - ✓ Background of the Invention
 - ✓ Brief Summary of the Invention
 - ✓ Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - ✓ Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☐ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets **5**]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages **5**]
- a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- b. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table of
Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
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- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. ☐ paper
- c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
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17. ☐ Other:

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1. BASIC FILING FEE

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101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	370
106	330	206	165	Design filing fee	
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	-20** =	X	=
Independent Claims	-3** =	X	=
Multiple Dependent			=

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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	84	209	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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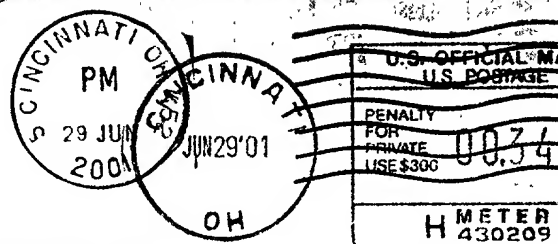
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Dear Mr. Soni,

We were delighted to have you participate in the 31st Anniversary Celebration of EARTH DAY, Saturday, April 21, 2001 at Sawyer Point in Cincinnati.

Greater Cincinnati Earth Coalition and their Earth Day sponsors are always looking for exhibitors, who feel as we do about recycling and protecting our environment.

Your extensive career as Quality Engineer, for the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company in Ohio, obviously gave you unique insight as to the potential uses for automobile tires. Your idea of recycling these used tires into shoes ... was exactly the type of creative example that we hoped to display for the thousands of visitors who attended this year's Earth Day event.

We wish you good luck and much success in "shoe-ing" the nation with recycled tires and look forward to seeing you for our 2002 EARTH DAY CELEBRATION.

Sincerely ,

Deborah Vorst

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Greater Cincinnati Earth Coalition, Chair.